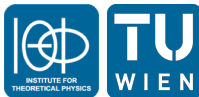


# Update on hQCD results for the HLbL contribution to $(g - 2)_\mu$

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# HLbL contributions where hQCD might be of interest

Holographic QCD (hQCD) makes interesting(\*) predictions where WP error estimates are the largest:

(\*) not too model-dependent in the class of models that match  $m_\rho$ ,  $f_\pi$ , and longitudinal short-distance constraints (LSDC)

Contribution	WP- $a_\mu^{\text{HLbL}} \times 10^{11}$
$\pi^0, \eta, \eta'$ -poles	93.8(4.0)
$\pi, K$ -loops/boxes	-16.4(0.2)
$S$ -wave $\pi\pi$ rescattering	-8(1)
scalars & tensors	-1(3)
axial vectors	6(6)
$u, d, s$ -loops / short-distance	15(10)
— of which LSDC: 13(6)	
$c$ -loop	3(1)
total	92(19)

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Extended to axial TFF and  $a_\mu$  by Leutgeb & AR, 1912.01596 and independently by Capiello, Cata, D'Ambrosio, Greynat & Iyer, 1912.02779 (HW2 only, different extrapolation to  $\eta^{(\prime)}/f_1^{(\prime)}$  sector)

$$\text{LR: } a_\mu^{a_1+f_1+f_1'} = 4a_\mu^{a_1} \text{ (flavor symmetric)} \approx (29 \dots 41) \times 10^{-11}$$

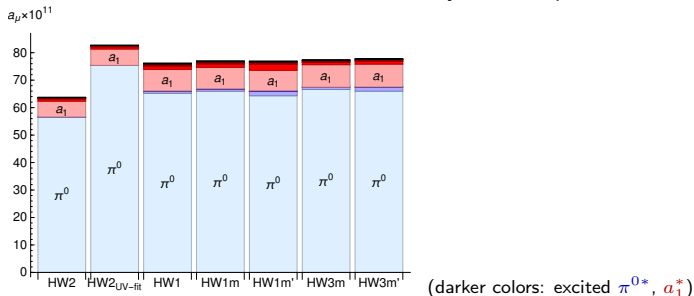
$$\text{CCDGI: } a_\mu^{a_1+f_1+f_1'} \approx 3.5a_\mu^{a_1} \text{ (non-uniform model)} \approx 28 \times 10^{-11}$$

model	LSDC	$m_\rho$	$m_{a_1(1260)}$	$a_\mu^{\pi^0}$	$a_\mu^{a_1}$	$a_\mu^{a_1+\text{tower}}$
<b>HW1 chiral</b>	100%	775	1375	65.2*	7.85	10.15
HW2(UV-fit)/CCDGI-Set2	100%	987	1573	75	5.75	7.2
HW2(IR-fit)/CCDGI-Set1	62%	775	1235	57	5.9	7.35
Sakai-Sugimoto	0%	775	1187	48.3	3.45	3.7

\*Erratum: LMR, PRD 104 (2021) 059903 ! (included in arxiv versions)

# HW models with massive pions [Leutgeb & AR: 2108.12345]

Rigorous inclusion of quark masses in HW1 and HW3 (=HW1 w/ HW2 b.c.) models:  
 → little difference to chiral model with manually inserted pion mass



**HW1m:** HW1 with nonzero light quark mass and correct pion mass

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**HW3m:** HW1m with HW2 boundary conditions

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Excited pions: don't decouple even in chiral limit,  $\sum a_\mu^{\pi^{0*}} \approx (0.8 \dots 1.8) \times 10^{-11}$   
 SW model (CGN, 2301.06456): larger contribution, see below

# Short distance constraints on TFFs

Crucially, hQCD models with asymptotic AdS<sub>5</sub> geometry reproduce **asymptotic momentum dependence of LCE** [Brodsky-Lepage 1979-81] (HW1 model exactly with  $g_5 = 2\pi$ ; HW2 model only at 62%)

- **Pseudoscalars** [Grigoryan & Radyushkin, PRD76,77,78 (2007-8)]:

$$\begin{aligned} F_{\pi^0 \gamma^* \gamma^*}(Q_1^2, Q_2^2) &\rightarrow \frac{2f_\pi}{Q^2} \sqrt{1-w^2} \int_0^\infty d\xi \xi^3 K_1(\xi\sqrt{1+w}) K_1(\xi\sqrt{1-w}) \\ &= \frac{2f_\pi}{Q^2} \left[ \frac{1}{w^2} - \frac{1-w^2}{2w^3} \ln \frac{1+w}{1-w} \right], \end{aligned}$$

with  $Q^2 = \frac{1}{2}(Q_1^2 + Q_2^2) \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $w = (Q_1^2 - Q_2^2)/(Q_1^2 + Q_2^2)$ ,  
corresponding to asymptotic behavior

$$F^\infty(Q^2, 0) = \frac{2f_\pi}{Q^2}, \quad F^\infty(Q^2, Q^2) = \frac{2f_\pi}{3Q^2} \quad (\Leftarrow \text{OPE}).$$

- **Axial vector mesons** [J. Leutgeb & AR, 1912.01596] (confirmed by pQCD result of Hoferichter & Stoffer 2004.06127):

$$A_n(Q_1^2, Q_2^2) \rightarrow \frac{12\pi^2 F_n^A}{N_c Q^4} \frac{1}{w^4} \left[ w(3-2w) + \frac{1}{2}(w+3)(1-w) \ln \frac{1-w}{1+w} \right]$$

# Melnikov-Vainshtein short-distance constraint

Melnikov and Vainshtein [hep-ph/0312226, PRD70(2004)]:

nonrenormalization theorem for axial anomaly implies

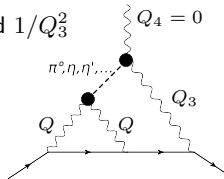
short-distance constraint for 4-photon-amplitude (in BTT basis w/ 54 structure functions):

$$\lim_{Q_3 \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{Q \rightarrow \infty} Q^2 Q_3^2 \bar{\Pi}_1(Q, Q, Q_3) = -\frac{2}{3\pi^2}$$

each single meson exchange contribution gives 0

because propagator  $\sim 1/Q_3^2$  and the two form factors  $\sim 1/Q^2$  and  $1/Q_3^2$

MV model: MV-SDC satisfied by replacing external TFF by constant on-shell value, leading to significant (almost +40%) increase of  $a_\mu^{\pi^0, \eta, \eta'}$  by  $38 \times 10^{-11}$

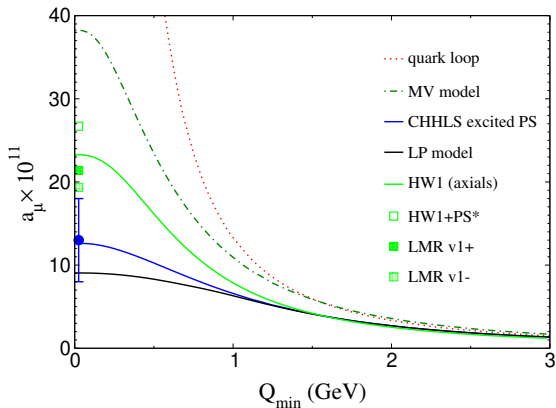


WP estimate for MV-SDC based on Regge model of infinite tower of excited PS states constructed to saturate MV-SDC with  $\Delta a_\mu^{\text{PS}} = 13(6) \times 10^{-11}$  [Colangelo et al., 1910.11881]

HW models: infinite tower of axials saturates MV-SDC to 100% in HW1 models, with  $a_\mu^{A(L)} = 23.2 \times 10^{-11}$  in chiral model; no contribution to MV-SDC from excited PS,  $a_\mu^{\pi^{0*}} = (0.8 \dots 1.8) \times 10^{-11}$

# Comparison of results for the longitudinal SDC

Update of Fig. 69 in the WP / Fig. 5 of Colangelo et al. 2106.13222  
(dropping the HW2 models which cannot fit UV and IR parameters simultaneously)



Contribution to  $a_\mu$  for  $Q_i \geq Q_{\text{match}}$ : **the longitudinal part of the massless perturbative QCD quark loop (dotted red)**, the Melnikov-Vainshtein model (MV, dot-dashed dark green), the Lütke/Procura model (LP, solid black), the CHHLS Regge model of excited pseudoscalars (solid blue), and the contribution of **axials in the chiral HW1 model (solid light green)**, with **squares indicating the final values including excited pseudoscalars (LMR: in our 2022 model with quark masses and  $U(1)_A$  anomaly)**



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$\pi^0$	135	(input)	0	0	0	0.277	
$\eta$	557	+1.7%	0.101	0.027	-0.030	0.275	+1(2)% (!)
$\eta'$	950	-0.8%	-0.0385	0.113	-0.077	0.340	-0(2)% (!)
$G/\eta''$	1992	?	-0.027	0.005	0.053	0.116	
	$m$ [MeV]	$m-m^{\text{exp}}$ [%]	$F_A^8/m_A$	$F_A^0/m_A$	$A^8(0,0)$	$A^{0\vee3}(0,0)$	
$a_1$	1363	+11%	0	0	0	20.96	
$f_1$	1481	+15%	0.176	0.0365	20.77	3.857	
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$\eta$	561	+2.4%	0.103	0.030	-0.031	0.268	+2(2)%
$\eta'$	947	-1.1%	-0.039	0.121	-0.082	0.313	-8(2)%
$G/\eta''$	1943	?	-0.030	0.0076	0.048	0.111	
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$f_1$	1410	+10%	0.176	0.029	19.58	2.69	
$f_1'$	1820	+28%	-0.017	0.219	-2.56	19.00	

gluon condensate parameter  $|\Xi| = 0.01416 \text{ GeV}^4$

PS:  $f^{8,0}$ 's within a few % of  $\chi$ PT values

AV:  $f_1 - f_1'$  mixing angle  $\phi_f - \phi_f^{\text{ideal}}$  about twice as large as indicated by L3 data

( $\phi_f$  strongly dependent on  $\Xi$ ; but sum  $a_\mu^{f_1} + a_\mu^{f_1'}$  rather insensitive)

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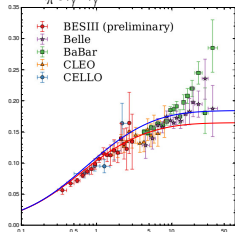
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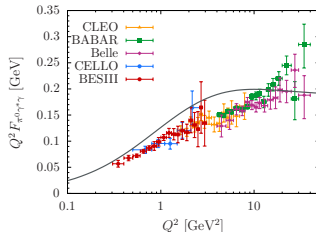
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\*: due to  $\text{U}(3)$  flavor symmetry

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have calculated  $a_{\mu}$  contributions of  $\sigma(500)$ ,  $a_0(980)$ ,  $f_0(990)$

by non-minimal *chiral* HW1 models (using different Lagrangians for each) with results

$a_{\mu}^S \times 10^{11}$	$n = 1$	$n = 2$	all $n$
$\sigma$	-8.5(2.0)	-0.07(2)	-8.7(2.0)
$a_0$	-0.29(13)	-0.025(10)	-0.32(14)
$f_0$	-0.27(13)	-0.025(9)	-0.29(14)
sum	-9(2)	-0.12(4)	-9(2)

Issues:

- if tetraquarks, qualitatively different descriptions needed (certainly at large  $N$ )
- should not be added to previous CCDGI results due to different model
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instead of  $Q^{-2}$  and  $Q^{-4}$  in pQCD

LMR2024 model:

- $a_0, f_0, f_0'$  somewhat too heavy ( $a_0(1450), \dots$ ),  $a_{\mu}^S \neq 0$ , but not yet evaluated
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NB: Hoferichter-Stoffer result also consistent with OPE in symmetric result, since at  $q_1 = -q_2$  leading terms cancel!

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Tensor and (pseudo)scalar glueballs in Hechenberger, Leutgeb & AR, 2302.13379

for Witten-Sakai-Sugimoto model:  $\Gamma(G^{S,P,T} \rightarrow \gamma\gamma) \sim \text{few keV}$  but  $|a_{\mu}^G| \lesssim 10^{-12}$

# Conclusions

- Simple HW holographic QCD models as well as SHW improvements reproduce remarkably well the  $\pi^0$  HLBL contribution from dispersive and lattice approaches, in particular with reduced  $g_5^2$  to fit  $F_\rho$  (90% of OPE limit  $\leftrightarrow$  typical gluonic corrections)
- Extension with strange quark and WW  $\eta_0$  mass (LMR2022): nice fit of  $\eta, \eta'$  data
- Melnikov-Vainshtein constraint naturally satisfied by tower of axial vector mesons
- Axial vector and LSDC contribution estimated together ( $\approx 58\%$  of AV is longitudinal) with good agreement among various (flavor-symmetric) models
  - U(3)-symmetric models with OPE fit:  $a_\mu^{\text{AV+LSDC}} = 40(3) \times 10^{-11}$
  - Best guess (LMR2022):  $a_\mu^{\text{AV+LSDC}} = 30.5_{-6(\text{Quillen})}^{+3.2(\text{OPE})} \times 10^{-11}$   
around upper end of WP20 estimate  $a_\mu^{\text{AV+LSDC}} = 19(12) \times 10^{-11}$
- Excited pseudoscalars (in WP20 contained in LSDC estimate)
  - U(3)-symmetric HW models with OPE fit:  $a_\mu^{P^*} = 4a_\mu^{\pi^*} = 5(2) \times 10^{-11}$
  - Best guess (LMR2022):  $a_\mu^{P^*} = 1.6_{-0.2(\text{OPE})}^{+4(\text{Quillen})} \times 10^{-11}$
- Scalar and tensor contributions very model dependent  
BL short-distance behavior of scalar and tensor TFFs not reproduced

# Appendix

If issues of SW model [Kwee & Lebed, 0712.1811] can be resolved, potentially interesting as starting point for further improvements. . .

# Improving the SW model: **Semi-Hard Wall** model

Leutgeb, AR, Stadlbauer: HVP contribution in hQCD, 2203.16508

Simple Wood-Saxon like interpolation of HW and SW model with only one additional free parameter [Kwee & Lebed 0708.4054] yields asymptotically linear Regge trajectories with good fit of first few vector mesons  $\rho(770)$ ,  $\rho(1450)$ ,  $\rho(1900)$ , and  $\rho(2150)$ ,  $\rightarrow$  reduces strong SW mismatch in HVP contribution:

$n$	HW		SW		SHW	
	$m_n$	$F_n^{1/2}$	$m_n$	$F_n^{1/2}$	$m_n$	$F_n^{1/2}$
1	775	329.1	775	260.0	775	314.0
2	1779	615.8	1096	309.2	1465	458.5
3	2789	863.3	1342	342.2	1903	498.7
4	3800	1089	1550	367.7	2230	540.0
5	4812	1300	1733	388.8	2511	570.7

	$a_{\mu(N_f=2)}^{\text{LO-HVP}} \times 10^{10}$	mismatch
HW1,HW3	476.9	0.86
HW2(IR UV-fit)	773.9 304.0	1.39 0.55
SW	276.4	0.50
SHW	415.4	0.75

# Improving the SW model: Semi-Hard Wall model

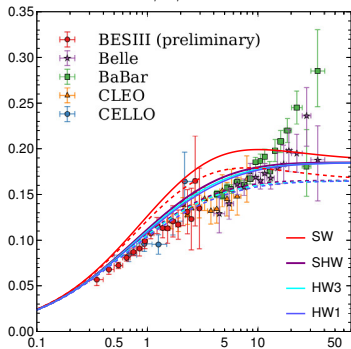
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Leutgeb, Mager, AR: HLbL contribution in SHW model, 24xx.xxxxx

Bump in  $Q^2 F_{\pi^0 \gamma^* \gamma^*}$  disappears in SHW model:

dashed lines: reduced  $g_5$  coupling

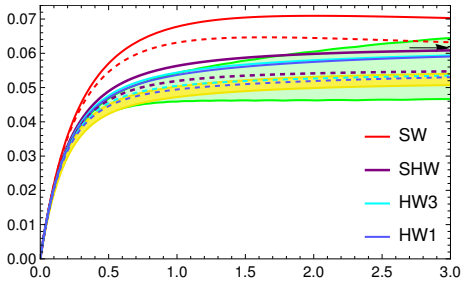


singly virtual  $Q^2$  [GeV<sup>2</sup>]

$$a_{\mu}^{\pi^0}(\text{SW}) = 75.2 \times 10^{-11}$$

$$\rightarrow a_{\mu}^{\pi^0}(\text{SHW}) = 67.7 \times 10^{-11} \text{ (OPE fit)}$$

(reduced by  $\sim 4\%$  when  $g_5^2$  reduced by 10%)

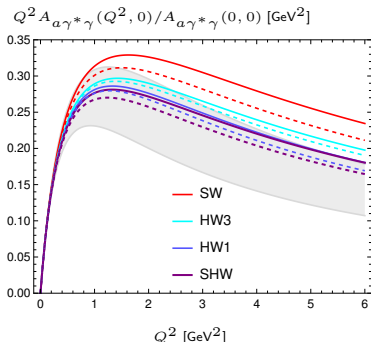


doubly virtual  $Q^2$  [GeV<sup>2</sup>]

# Improving the SW model: **Semi-Hard Wall** model

Leutgeb, Mager, AR: HLbL contribution in SHW model, 24xx.xxxxx

Axial vector meson mass in SW model too high, reduced in SHW: 1679  $\rightarrow$  1454 MeV  
better agreement with  $Q^2$  dependence of L3 data on  $f_1(1285)$ :



differences in mass and TFF cancel out approximately: **(preliminary)**

$$4 \times a_{\mu}^{a_1}(\text{SW}) = 36.0 \times 10^{-11} \quad \rightarrow \quad 4 \times a_{\mu}^{a_1}(\text{SHW}) = 36.2 \times 10^{-11} \text{ (OPE fit)}$$

however sum over (less overweight) AV tower somewhat larger:

$$4 \times \sum_{n=1}^7 a_{\mu}^{a_1^{(n)}}(\text{SW}) = 41.3 \times 10^{-11} \quad \rightarrow \quad 4 \times \sum_{n=1}^7 a_{\mu}^{a_1^{(n)}}(\text{SHW}) = 43.3 \times 10^{-11}$$